Tail of the Moon
Chapter 53
HANZO'S TRIVIA
BOTH MANGEKYO SHARINGAN AND BYAKUGAN ARE MEMBERS OF THE PLANT FAMILY ASTERACEAE.

TAIL OF THE MOON EXTRA: TODAY'S MISSION

"I WANT TO SEE HANZO AS GUITAR SAMURAI!"

-YOKO HATA, KOUCHI PREFECTURE

HANZO LOOKS HANDSOME NO MATTER WHAT HE WEARS! ISN'T THAT WHAT PEOPLE SAY?
WELL THEN... I GUESS... NINJA SLASH ...?
I DON'T LOOK ANY DIFFERENT THAN USUAL...
MISSION ACCOMPLISHED!

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..UNDER NORMAL CIRCUMSTANCES, I WOULD HAVE MARRIED HANZO BY NOW...
BUT...
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?!
IF WE CAN'T STOP THE ATTACK ON IGA SOMEHOW, WE'LL ALL BE DEAD BEFORE WE EVEN HAVE THAT WEDDING OF YOURS!!
OH.
THEN PULL YOURSELF TOGETHER!!
I DON'T WANT THAT TO HAPPEN.
I KNOW, BUT...
YOU DON'T HAVE TIME TO BE DEPRESSED!!

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I NEVER KNEW YOU HAD SUCH A HANDSOME SON!
RETIRE?
THIS IS GOEMON AND HIS WIFE USAGI.
...BUT WE'RE GOING TO HAND THE SHOP OVER TO OUR SON AND HIS WIFE AND RETIRE.
I KNOW THIS SEEMS OUT OF THE BLUE...
Wife
...PLEASE FEEL FREE TO ASK ME.
IF YOU EVER NEED A HAND WITH ANYTHING...
I LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU.
ME TOO ♡
I...I'LL GO AND BUY DUMPLINGS AT YOUR PLACE EVERY DAY. ♡
BLUSH
Wooo

IT'S ALL BEEN SO SUDDEN, SO I HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO TELL THE NEIGHBORS
OOOH...
HAVE YOU BEEN ABLE TO GET EVERYTHING READY?
HUH? WHERE?
LET'S GO, USAGI.
THEN LET'S TAKE CARE OF THAT NOW.
IS THERE ANYTHING YOU NEED?
HEY THERE
GOOD EVENING.
NINJA ?!
...GATHERING INFORMATION ON THIS PLACE
WE'RE KUSA WORKING UNDER MASTER TANBA, AND WE'VE BEEN LIVING IN THE CAPITAL FOR A LONG TIME ..
"CAT" IS A CODE WE NINJA USE TO IDENTIFY EACH OTHER.

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ALL WE'RE GOING TO DO IS TAKE CARE OF A DUMPLING SHOP?
DON'T WORRY, USAGI'S REALLY GOOD AT MAKING DUMPLINGS AND TEA.
I SEE...
YOU GET TO HEAR A LOT OF RUMORS AND INFORMATION ABOUT THE CAPITAL FROM THE CUSTOMERS, SO IT'S BEST IF THE SHOP IS THRIVING.
AND TAKE CARE OF MYAAKO FOR US TOO.
PLEASE KEEP THE SHOP'S REPUTATION UP.
WE WILL!

USAGI'S NOW THE BRIDE-ELECT OF SEGACHI'S HATTORI HANZO.
OUR ENGAGEMENT WAS CANCELLED.
YOU'RE HIS FIANCÉE, AREN'T YOU?
HUH?!
BY THE WAY, WHEN DID YOU TWO GET MARRIED?
ANYWAY, YOU HAVEN'T FINISHED TEACHING US ALL THE PROCEDURES FOR THIS SHOP YET, SO ..
OH, RIGHT.
PEOPLE FROM THE INN LISTED ON THIS ACCOUNT BOOK WILL COME TO BUY DUMPLINGS EVERY MORNING, SO YOU HAVE TO PREPARE THEM BEFORE THE SUN RISES.
BUT WHY?!
YOU TOLD ME IT WAS YOUR DREAM TO MARRY USAGI..
WELL...
...A LOT HAPPENED.

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IF HE'S PREPARING FOR A LARGE WAR, THEN IT'S A POSSIBILITY.
THEN DOESN'T THAT MEAN RANMARU MAY COME WITH HIM?!
I HAVE TO CHANGE MY HAIRSTYLE!
My kimono too
WHAT'S WITH YOU ALL OF A SUDDEN?
YOU JUST NEED TO MAKE DUMPLINGS AND SELL THEM.
I WONDER IF I CAN DO IT?
YOU HAVE TO!!
ACK!
NOBUNAGA'S TACTIC IS TOTAL ANNIHILATION..
JUST LICK IT OR SOMETHING IT'LL GET BETTER SOON
OWW!
FWAp
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
MYAAKO SCRATCHED ME—
OWW..!
HSSSSS..
SCRATCH
WELL, I'VE GOTTEN A PRETTY GOOD IDEA OF THINGS INSIDE THE HOUSE
I'M GOING TO INVESTIGATE THE SITUATION REGARDING NOBUNAGA'S WEAPONS TOMORROW
LICK
LICK
YOU'RE SO MEAN, GOEMON..
WAIT..-DO YOU MEAN NOBUNAGA'S GOING TO BE CLOSE BY?!
HE OFTEN HOLDS HIS BUSINESS MEETINGS AT HONNOJI, WHICH IS NEAR HERE.
NOBUNAGA'S AT AZUCHI, ISN'T HE?

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IT HASN'T HAPPENED YET, HAS IT?
I'M SCARED...
I'M GOING TO SLEEP LIKE THIS.!
WHEN ARE YOU GOING TO GET OFF ME?!
I CAN'T WASH MY BACK.
SCRUB SCRUB
TCH.
MNCH MNCH
HEY!
GLOMP
I'M SCARED...
IF YOU DON'T WANT TO DIE, THEN DO YOUR BEST ON THIS ASSIGNMENT!
MASSACRE...
ANNIHILATION .?
WHEN HE BURNED ENRYAKUJI TO THE GROUND...
...HE MASSACRED EVERYBODY, EVEN THE WOMEN AND CHILDREN.

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GOEMON HASN'T BEEN HIMSELF TODAY...
JUST HURRY UP AND GO TO SLEEP!!
I WONDER IF HE'S STRESSED OUT BECAUSE OF THIS ASSIGN-MENT?
NOBUNAGA MAY ACTUALLY BE NEARBY...
I'M SO SCARED
HANZO...
AAARGH!
GET OFF!!
YOU'RE GOING TO BECOME HANZO'S WIFE, AREN'T YOU?
WHY...?
STOP CLINGING TO ME!!
BUT WE'RE ONLY PRETENDING, AREN'T WE?!
THAT'S TRUE BUT...
...I'M YOUR WIFE AT THE MOMENT, GOEMON...

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It was a waste of time to dress up
WHAT? WE CAME ALL THE WAY HERE TO SEE HIS GORGEOUS FACE FOR NOTHING?
WE DON'T WANT ANY!!
UM HOW ABOUT SOME DUMPLINGS?
GOEMON'S GONE OUT FOR THE MOMENT...
SO WHERE'S YOUR FINE HUSBAND?
OH...
IT'S YOU TWO...
.. AT LEAST ONE DUMPLING?
CAN'T YOU BUY...
It wouldn't hurt to buy just one.
ARE YOU OPEN?
MY ASSIGNMENT...
"PLEASE KEEP THE SHOP'S REPUTATION UP."
"PAY ATTENTION TO WHAT THE CUSTOMERS SAY."
WHAT SHOULD I DO?
I HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO SELL EVEN ONE DUMPLING SINCE THIS MORNING...
DUMPLINGS

THANK YOU VERY MUCH. ♪
WHAT...
ARE THOSE DUMPLINGS ?!
I'D LIKE TO HAVE THIRTY OF THE USUAL DUMPLINGS ANYWAY
THIRTY?!
GOO... GOOD MORNING!
ARE YOU THE NEW SHOPKEEPER?
YOU LOOK REALLY YOUNG. CAN YOU HANDLE THIS PLACE?
TH. .THIS IS THE ONLY TYPE OF DUMPLING I MAKE...
I DIDN'T ASK FOR THOSE SIMPLE COUNTRY-STYLE DUMPLINGS! WHERE ARE THE USUAL ONES?!
UM.
HAVE YOU GOTTEN USED TO YOUR SURROUNDINGS YET?
GOOD MORNING.
WAIT...!
FORGET IT! I'LL BUY THEM AT ANOTHER SHOP!!
H... HEY...
SHUP

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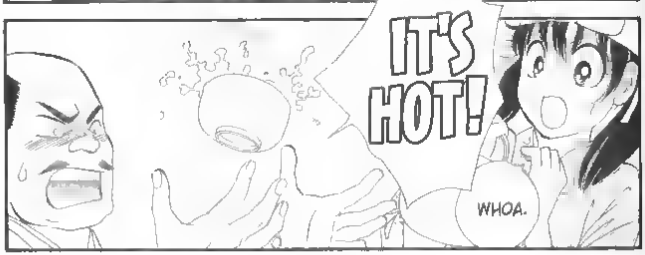

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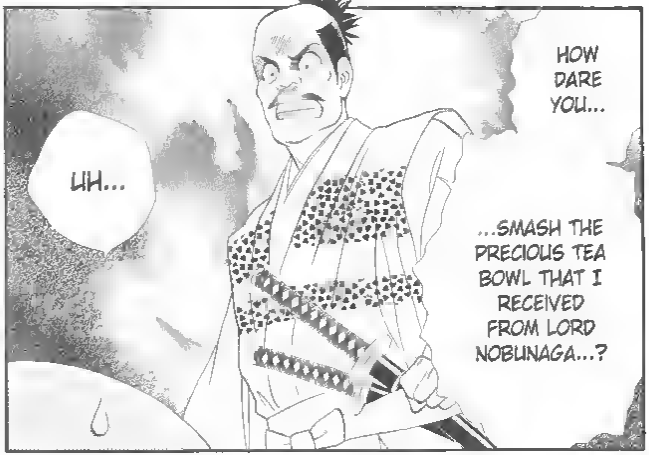

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IF YOU SAY SO, RANMARU...
MISS...
ARE YOU OKAY?
RANMARU!
YOU...
YOU'RE GOING TO BE THE ONE IN A FIX IF YOU CAUSE TROUBLE IN THE CAPITAL, SADANARI.
TREMBLE
TREMBLE
PLEASE STOP THAT.
GRAB
BUT...
..THIS GIRL BROKE THE TEA BOWL I RECEIVED FROM LORD NOBUNAGA...
ANYTHING THAT HAS A SHAPE WILL PERISH SOMEDAY.
THAT VOICE...
AND I'M SURE THIS GIRL DIDN'T BREAK THE BOWL ON PURPOSE, RIGHT?

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